

MKnR – SS – Tanpen Shotgun

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Part 1

Regardless of Game, Non-Game, Magic Competition, Non-Magic Competition. Perhaps, this is all I can say to all competitions. The game starts since before a real competition began.

2096's nine school competition, I can say that the tendency was determined. Each school of Magic High School Department takes the prestige and challenge in the Nine School Competition. National Magic High School Department's Friendship Magic Tournament. From 1st High until 9th High. All school's student council plays a key role to raise up the whole school and deal with the preparations. But unfortunately I won't say that all Magic High School Department wants to aim and work hard for the championship. At least leaving good grades, but the point it's the same as beating up their brains and running out of power.

I'm choosing a player for preparing their 'CAD', I'm the one who's modifying the activation formula. But such advance preparation's starting point becomes the event. To match the characteristics of the competition, all the preparations have hastened. That's why the event change, the Nine School Competition's steering committee got a sudden notice and a great confusion happened, I did said that it's natural.

1st High wasn't an exception as well. The president of the Student Council · Nakajou Azusa was awfully shocked. The student council's duties were delayed within two or three days.

However, the time will pass even without doing anything. People have rushed into a difficult situation, because of lack of preparation we'd ended it sorrowful.

Our top students haven't recovered perfectly so it's early to restart. Azusa was the most shocked, with that said, if we turn it that way the damage of the other student will be smaller but without the top students, the damage will be big.

The shocking notification had arrived at July 2, Monday. Then three days later, July 5, Thursday at daytime. At the time of the ending of our rest period, the re-selection of the player was completed.

And then the day after school. Each team that will competing had a meeting for a minute. They dispersed in when and where will be the meeting be and held the meeting until they see each other next time.

Part 2

"Please excuse me~"

First High, 2nd Year, Class B. With the popular name of 'Eimi' and with the characteristic of stream crimson hair. She entered in a small apartment for a small meeting.

This girl will enter the 'Nine School Competition' this year, she will participate with the new contest "Lower and Gunner" she was chose with a pair. From now on in this room, paired players and with their charged engineer, that was the planned in the meeting.

In the fact that engineers don't need to introduced themselves because they are already known.

Last year, my classmates had seen the problem in us in the 'Nine School Competition'. It's generally hard to say.

One year ago, many have wondered why I am in the 2nd course student but this year it's a propitious year (?) with the newly established Magic Engineering Department, they changed my course (For the time being). I was in the situation that my arm and brain works perfectly.

When we heard that, our Eimi was very happy, and she express her feelings with the words in uncertainty. If I were express it into words, I was relieved but when he is now a 1st course student, he's not comfortable in his situation or rather he wants his theoretical results match the 1st course student. He doesn't want a consideration because some students didn't agree with the consideration. They've 'passed in the general results but the only thing that they lost is the written exams score', they roar with that consideration. Eimi make excuses as she heard that.

If it was only the mark in the test, in the first place isn't the "General Results" itself is the evaluation mark in the school? With the girl's feelings. Last year the newcomers competition in the Monolith Code Jutsushizokulchijou's heir is there and lost in the championship. He never thinks that Ichijou will loss in his classmates abilities but they did loss in another school's student and another reason is that.

Going back to the topic, As Eimi expected, the answer isn't in the room. Now, the estimated time in the meeting is 10 minutes have passed. The paired players are 3rd year students and the 2nd year students for both the player and the engineer. Thinking in common-sense, we can't keep it waiting. We are the first ones who arrive safely and Eimi temporarily felt relieved.

"Eh, eh, eh. You're already here. You sure is fast."

The upperclassmen duo make their appearance, that's about five minutes later.

"Ah, Good work."

The personal digital assistant who's holding the data of the reviewed rule of 'Lower and Gunner' competition, Eimi stands up and quickly bows.

"2nd Year Class B, Akechi Eimi. My friends calls me 'Eimi'. I'll be in your care!"

Eimi greets them with full of spirit, the two 3rd years cheeks have loosen.

With the same height of Eimi, short and straight black hair, clear eyes of an school girl returns the self-introduction.

"Eimi-chan, is it? 3rd year Class B. I'm Kunisaki Kumiko. You can call me Ku-chan."

Eimi's expectations broke across into the character of the two upperclassmen.

"N-No, That's a bit....."

"Well, you're right. But you didn't have to hesitate. If you change your mind, you may call me 'Ku-chan' anytime."

"Yes....."

(W-what a frank person.....!)

In Eimi's thoughts.

"And then, you know her, right? The Student Council President, A-chan."

"Ku-chan!!!"

Kumiko introduced herself, as soon as she heard that line, Azusa get reddened and shouted. As Azusa shouts in the scene, Eimi hadn't imagined that image of the Student Council President. She was surprised when she heard that.

"Ehh, What? What's with that loud voice suddenly. Eimi-chan was surprised, you know."

"Ku-chan made a weird introduction, right?! A-chan said that don't tell them!"

"Ehh, Why? I'm always calling you that way."

"It's because it's Ku-chan! In Lower-Grade students, well, how to put it....."

When Azusa was loss at words.

"Excuse me, President Nakajou? I, I already know president Nakajou."

In order to suppress the place, somehow Eimi interpose her mouth.

"Eh? Ah, right? Akechi-san, I'm looking forward in working with you."

Azusa's voice suddenly recovers, her body draws more bashfully when she answered it and Eimi carelessly made a fascinated face.

"Thanks for waiting"

The soft air drifted in the small meeting room, the last person, Tatsuya makes his appearance. Somehow the tension of the air had regained.

"It's fine! Because Tatsuya comes in the right time!"

The tension mainly brought by Azusa.

In the scene, depending on the person looking on. Azusa seems received a torment from Tatsuya like always but in fact he didn't say anything. Azusa is just one-sidedly timid.

But that tension is like 'If I didn't help in this' surely, they will let out such thoughts.

"Shiba-kun, This year, I'll be looking forward in working with you."

It seems like a 'New Year' greeting expression, Eimi lowers her head vigorously.

"Nice to meet you. 3rd year B Class'KunisakiKumiko. I'm looking forward to work with you"

Following Eimi that it seems like she turned to another person, Kumiko bowed with a quiet appearance. A while ago in the first meeting with the lower-grade, she demanded to call her "Ku-chan". Eimi can't seem the same person a while ago.

Eimi thought that just a little and they exchanged stares.

Tatsuya doesn't have any concern in that exchange of stares.

"Kunisaki-senpai, I'll be looking forward in working with you. Eimi, as well. Well then president let's start the meeting."

He replaced the tension with a relaxed air, Kumiko recognized by that character again, the meeting was urge to start.

“Ah!, yes, you’re right.”

With that answer, she looks back at Tatsuya.

However, Tatsuya didn’t open his mouth. On the contrary, he stared back and Azusa feels an intense impatience.

“Err...errr...Shiba-kun?”

“President, please start.”

Tatsuya demanded the proceeding progress from Azusa. This isn’t harassment at all. The upperclassmen and the student council president, Tatsuya had thought that Azusa supposed to partitioned this place with the equal ‘Nine School Competitions’ team with the head of the team.

In evidence, that is the proper decision. Eimi and Kumiko’s eyes turns to Azusa.

“—Well then, Let’s start the girl pair’s strategy meeting in the competition ‘Lower and Gunner’.”

Azusa hurriedly gave up in resisting, she reached the chair. Tatsuya continue with hostility, that person was so carefree.

“The first thing is.....shall we begin with self-introductions?”

“I understood. I’m Shiba Tatsuya, I’m acting as the charged engineer of Akechi-san.”

Before Tatsuya entered the room. They already finished their self-introduction but without Tatsuya knowing about it. He stood up plainly and make a brief self-introduction.

“2nd Year student, Akechi Eimi. I’m the player that had been chose to play for the game Lower and Gunner. I won’t hold back, Kunisaki-senpai, as much as possible I’ll do my best. I’ll be in your care.”

After she made her self-introduction, she sat down in the chair and pressed her eyes to Tatsuya, without Eimi knowing someone make a self-introduction from his back.

“3rd year Class B, Kunisaki Kumiko.....this time is my first time in competing in the ‘Nine School Competitions’. I, as well, will do my best as much as possible.”

And then Kumiko paid more attention to Azusa and she told her to proceed with a low voice.

“Err, A-cha.....Nakajou-san? I already finished my self-introduction, you know.”

Kumiko make an indication, Azusa’s face reddens. However, she already said it herself, it’s her choice if she doesn’t want to introduce herself. Azusa’s character wasn’t able to remove that.

“I’m assigned as engineer of Kunisaki-san. Third year student, Nakajou Azusa.”

Azusa immediately returns to her chair. “I did it” with embarrassing introduction, her face went bankrupt. Tatsuya gives her a lifeboat.

“President, why don’t we decide for the role-sharing?”

“Yes, you’re right.”

With Tatsuya’s suggestion, Azusa seemed to bite her tongue with the fast agreement.

The three seemed to be afraid of him but no matter how much Tatsuya is scary, he doesn’t mind what kind of

attitudes of the three have. That doesn't interest him. And even if she pays attention on their attitude, it'll be in opposite effect. In his decision, Tatsuya will just swallow the words deeply.

"Even if you say that, wouldn't it be unnecessary?"

In Tatsuya's words,

"I'm 'lower'."

"I'm 'gunner'."

Kumiko and Eimi answered in a flash.

"That's good. Even if you say to paddle the boat, it's impossible for me to do it."

Eimi acts foolishly in a theatrical gesture and heaves a sigh of relief.

"There's no paddle in there though."

Tatsuya was serious when Eimi let out his words of joke. He fed up Eimi with a serious tone and looks at Azusa.

"Are you okay with that, President?"

"Yes, it's okay."

Azusa doesn't have the state captivated by either. Those roles, like Tatsuya said it's unnecessary to talk about it since the plan was fixed in picking an engineer.

Eimi is in the hunting category.

Kumiko is in the boat category.

If the event hadn't changed in the 'Nine School Competition'. Eimi is in 'Speed Shooting' and Kumiko will participate in 'Battle Board'. Each shooting item and aquatic vehicle was bought by the 'Lower and Gunner' representative that was chosen. It isn't necessary to test off by the expertise.

"Then it's settled."

With Tatsuya's words, Azusa, Eimi and Kumiko nodded.

Azusa turns his face to a note size computer terminal. She's eyes goes up and down busily. She's preparing to what we are going to talk next, she reads the competition's main points. However, to read more information about 'Lower and Gunner', there's a vacancy in the terminal and she reads it. As the president, although she didn't assume that and didn't think about the discussion. She gave the document's order and bring up an agenda that will end up the discussion.

".....Errr. This day, why don't we talk about it elsewhere?"

In the end Azusa asked while the three's faces are looking around in this way. However that question was actually pointed at Tatsuya. Tatsuya pays more attention to the time length and he answer plainly.

"I think we should decide on what type of boat we should use."

As expected, the one who will answer the question was Tatsuya.

"Type of a boat, is it?"

However unfortunately, Azusa didn't understand the answer's meaning that Tatsuya gave.

"I mean is, should we go with a narrow boat with a high speed or should we go with a wide boat that has a shooting stability. Should we decide forgoing straight on nature with a deepen sea gauge or with returning nature with a shallow sea gauge. It's being move by magic so we won't need to think about the using of the water resistance on the bending route."

If the sea gauge is light even if they cut the rudder they will just skid in the surface of the water. However when the boat is being operated by magic so they don't need to change the route by the water's resistance.

"Kunisaki-senpai, what's your choice?"

For confirmation, Tatsuya checks Kumiko's demand.

"A narrow boat and a deep sea gauge is better but....."

Kumiko looks at Eimi's face asking for assistance. The person moving the boat will be easy. However, no matter how the live shooting of the gunner is different, if the shaking of the boat is intense the aim degree is very low, it's hard to hit the target.

"Probably, I think I can do it. The horse has plenty of shakes as well so hitting the target is seems fine."

When he heard the two's answer, Tatsuya operates the terminal with an A4 size. He gave the green light and order the boat.

"Even if you say that speed is important in the competition, a shell boat isn't long and narrow. But standing in the boat is difficult."

The first half of these lines was for Kumiko and the latter half turned to Eimi.

"Firing while standing is impossible, huh? When in magic shooting you can secure the view before firing while standing. Well, most of it is easy I guess unlike live shooting. Is the sitting posture shot is possible? Is it difficult to use a sitting position there?"

"In the space it's possible. If you really can shoot while sitting or standing, we can see it if we started the practice."

"Uheeee! Don't try an overturn please."

Kumiko and Tatsuya paid their attention to Eimi as she was embarrassed and made a frowned face, she didn't answer the question immediately.

"Kunisaki-senpai. How is it?"

"Running the boat while your one knee stands? Isn't it dangerous to overturn....."

With Kumiko's words, Eimi makes a bitter expression.

"Then, Let's begin the practice without you overturning the boat."

Still, Eimi made a suggestion to Tatsuya and neither dissatisfaction nor objection has been spoke.

The meeting ended just a while ago. Tatsuya goes to the next meeting busily while Azusa goes to the Student Council room for office work. Eimi and Kumiko was left. Kumiko bigly stretched her arms and legs.

“Ahhhh, so much tension.”

“Kunisaki-senpai, did you get nervous?”

The person said it herself so that question is obvious ‘yes’. She was a ‘Quiet Girl’ when she was in front of Tatsuya in order to not to be scolded. She didn’t make a frank performance in front of Tatsuya and Eimi doubted it.

“It’s Ku-chan.”

“You see its.....”

A while ago she said “If your mind change” then senpai begun to demand to call her like a pet. Eimi can’t hide her embarrassment.

“Sorry, Can you call me it by that now? Or else my shoulders stiffness will be forever.”

Eimi can’t possible understand that super theory but with judging from Kumiko’s expression thorough resistance was difficult.

“.....Then, how about ‘Ku-chan-senpai?’

As much as possible this is Eimi’s concession.

“Yes, well, seems fine.”

Somehow her permission was accepted and Eimi’s heart was relieve, she exhales. Why I must be tired from such thing, while learning with slight unreasonableness.

“And then, Ku-chan-senpai. Did you get nervous?”

For the repeated question, Kumiko‘Tahahahaha’ made a shy laugh.

“I’m, I’m a weak boy, you know.”

In an unexpected confession, Eimi’s face color changed.

“Ahh! No, you’re wrong!”

Kumiko who realized a misunderstanding she did from the gesture that Eimi made, she waved her both hands right and left in fluster.

“No you’re wrong! It’s not ‘I like girls’! That’s not it! It’s something like violent or being belligerent , such thing is not good. Particularly for coercive boys, they immediately will draw back, I think.”

“.....I’m sorry.”

As she heard the confession, Eimi make a quiet face and apologize.

“What’s wrong, suddenly? Did something happen that you must have apologize to me?”

“No, Please don’t mind it.”

A girl from a ‘Mahoushi’yearns for the excessive sense of fear for violence. That isn’t a rare example. In most cases, we arrived with the same reason.

Eimi and Kumiko’s having magic ability is not from their ‘Mahoushi’, it’s from their parents when their born that has

the mutation of their 'Mahoushi'. So called as the 'First Generation'. 'Mahoushi' shows an evasion of violence, a lot of 'The First Generation's' women seen it. That mind-set was in the girls age and reflects an experience and the cases are many. The circumstance is Eimi's father is a 'First Generation' such story. Not only her classmates but the upperclassmen as well knows the story.

May be different person might speak about it.

"Ku-chan-senpai is pacifist, right."

"Pacifist, you say. Seems music to my ears..... The truth is I don't actually want to go for the match as well. Like A-chan, I should be a staff and be good at technology so I won't fight anymore."

"Is it the reason why you're close to the Student council president?"

"Yes, well, I'm not really that cruel."

"Are you okay with that, saying such words to you?"

Eimi and Kumiko's look at each other and they exchanged smile.

The accomplice sympathy by the two's distance strongly shrank.

"But Shiba-kun is not a person who will coerce a person without a reason."

That lines, the familiarity would let you eat it. In order to depend Tatsuya, Eimi pretend that she didn't know Tatsuya's nature. This for Tatsuya's sake or rather than Kumiko had yearned the relaxing weak point awareness, that implication was strong.

The reason is not that in particular that Eimi feels kindly towards Tatsuya. It's because Kumiko didn't misunderstand it and she didn't misinterpret it.

"Yes..... Probably. It's as Eimi-chan said. After all, even if I'm afraid so much. It seems like A-chan and Tatsuya relied to us. Eimi-chan and the 2nd years girl's desire he'll listen to it, he's not really bad person, I know it."

"Desire....."

On the other hand, the interpretation jumped to the course. Eimi was attacked by a light panic. She hurriedly found in search of the words of arguments. The result was unable to say anything. Kumiko left those words for Eimi's recollection.



“But, I’ve seen that in Yokohama……”

Eimi’s consciousness complete changed.

Kumiko is talking about last year’s article disturbance. Eimi had a circumstances that she’d go for support and the result fortunately the disturbance was fixed completely. That’s why that day on what happen in Yokohama International Convention Facility, what did Tatsuya do, Eimi just say for the rumors that she don’t know.

But she didn't just hear it but it was too shocking 'Activity'.

(He caught the bullets barehanded and cut the arm of a guerilla, I heard)

(Of course I don't think that he really caught it barehanded. He should have used magic)

(The Third Year KichijouJishinkurou-kun is seems not a (molecular divisor) .It seems he's a Military Secret Magic but the problems is not there)

(His arm was cut without permission, the guerilla's arm was from him. Tatsuya lacks hesitation)

(Scary. Yes, I was scared as well but.....)

"But, he's not a bad person."

In Eimi and Kumiko's case, if the person who know Tatsuya's true character heard it 'You've been deceived /that's / what / it is'I thrust the reply grandly with a smile.

Part 3

July 14, Saturday. The regular examination has been stopped because of the "Nine School Competition's" reopening day of exercise.

While 1st high's back of the fieldwork ground is meandering, As a whole by picturing it there's a waterway in an oval shape. Just like last year the practice of 'Battle Board' was performed here. The waterway here is being used for the new competition 'Lower and Gunner'. Except for emergency, It is necessary to use magic outside the school originally in complicated and troublesome procedure. That's natural.

The fieldwork ground's waterway for 'Battle Board' matches isn't made three-dimensional. This was made long and wide. And the waterway is rapid curve, A first year pair, Kasumi acted as a gunner. The surface of the water's is in their shoulders as Kumiko and Eimi floated, they make an apologetic eyes while they pass through.

"Eimi-chan, Are you okay?"

This waterway has a depth of three meters so naturally you can't touch the ground using your foot. They are wearing a life jacket so worrying about them being drowned is not necessary. There is a season called late midsummer so even if you're in the water you can't sense the coldness. —Despite of the clothes that was worn that they used for diving many times, it wasn't comfortable at all.

"Yes, I'm fine."

While Kumiko asked while floating in the water, she was answered by Eimi that she's fine. Eimi is gradually becoming hot. The short cut hair of Kumiko that is different from Eimi that has a long hair. Like her clothes, it seems ruby, the glossiness of her red hair is absorbing a good moisture and considerably becoming heavy.

(If your hair is heavy it is said that it's disgusting is a real talk, right.....)

I won't make any complaints if it's true or I have no guts to say a complaint. Even if she didn't say anything, Kumiko already see through her. She immediately understood because of Eimi's depression. But still Eimi didn't hide it but she just let out a sigh. A overturned boat swam at them.

That back once again they overturn, Eimi finally arrived to the boat and in the 'Goal Line' = 'Starting point'.

When she got out from the water way, she used a magic to desiccate both of her hair and clothes. She stepped in on the boat's platform. (And from the boat's parking place) Tatsuya calls out Eimi with a greeting.

"Eimi, Good Job."

"Ehh? Shiba-kun?"

When it started Eimi and company have seen Azusa. By today's plan, Tatsuya should have changed with Azusa in observing.

"You're already in charge?"

"It seems like they contact the wrong trader so president is called there for adjustment."

But if I hear the real circumstances.

"It seems hard for you."

Such thoughts appeared.

"Well, yeah. But you guys have a hard fight as well."

But Eimi as well have a hard time about meddling into people's appear. She laughs.

"Ahaha, well, you're right."

No, on the contrary, there's no time to laugh now that we come here. That kind of state of mind has been reached by Eimi.

Today was the first time Eimi exercise with one knee at the ground and one knee standing, in other words she goes around in the boat four times with overturns, Eimi was about to collapse. Eimi smiles to Tatsuya that lacks vividness.

"It seems like you can't ride a horse anymore?"

By Tatsuya's whatever topic coming up to, Eimi declines, her negative mental condition is gathering up.

"No~~~ Not at all. In fact that, on the top of the horse with a sitting posture, the enemy will immediately fall down."

But still she's not a character who will look down with a gloomy face. Eimi thought so, she laughs frivolously especially with a light tone.

"What kind of position is possible?"

However, Tatsuya does not intend to company her the self-torture play. He made a serious face and asked Eimi.

"Umm...What kind of position, you say?"

While you're on the top of the horse that is running, What kind of posture is possible for you so you won't fall?"

For Eimi who wasn't able to understand the meaning of the question, she ask carefully once again.

Tatsuya understood the intention of Eimi's question, he put his hand on his chin and exaggeratedly twisted his neck.

"Commonly, except from sitting down in the saddle, Yes.....The one in the circuses, particularly in the trick riding. 'Side Riding', 'two point', 'Monkey Seat' is the only tricks that I didn't know."

"Unexpectedly there are few variations. I know what a 'Side-Riding' is but the other two, how do they do that?"

“ ‘Two Point’ is easy to say it’s standing while riding, getting on the saddle or from the horse handle. It’s being used if they jumped over an obstacle. ‘Monkey Seat’ is the jockey on the horse in a horse racing making a bent forward posture, that’s how it is. Do you understand it?”

“That’s what it is.....In ‘Monkey Seat’, is it possible that both knees is in the top of the saddle?”

“I haven’t done that though and it seems you can’t use your knees there. In jockey, it’s only by standing on the rider’s stirrup. It can keep the knees balance, they said.”

“I see.....Eimi. Can you aim on both of your knee standing?”

“Umm.....I wonder?”

Tatsuya simulate the idea in his head, Eimi who had a lower confidence nodded.

“Probably, I think it’s fine but why?”

Eimi asked Tatsuya with high expectations, I didn’t get puzzled when he answer it.

“In the boat, without standing in one knee but standing in both knee, how is it? I think it’s supposed to be that the posture is stable, the point of view of the person using both knee doesn’t change that much.”

“.....How am I going to do it?”

When she tried it, we catch a well image for it, in the boat she will put one leg in her posture. In Eimi’s face, it seems like there’s still more question for Tatsuya.

“The foot from left and right is equally open, you can immobilize your knee when you’re overturning and.....Yeah, right. That’s how it is.”

Eimi with a posture of the Shotgun style of the CAD added from left and right.

“Yes.....Seems fine. Then, please watch within one round.”

“Yes, I’m counting on you. Kunisaki-senpai as well, please.”

With that words, Kumiko silently nodded and sat down in front of Eimi. She looks at Tatsuya and she looking for assistance, she nodded.

Just right after that, the boat left the bank gently.

“That, that’s how you get on old motorboat race, right?”

They turned in the first curve, before Kumiko used her magic to turn, Eimi talks.

It is a slow curve but a while ago the boat’s behavior is clearly stable.

“Motorboat race?”

“Ehh, you didn’t know it Eimi-chan? It’s a boat race though.”

“I don’t know.”

Although the speed is holding down, Eimi and Kumiko had a spare of conversation. After doing that in the first round,

they didn't able to fall down in the water.

"They said that before the person who will ride on the motorboat in the competition had a gamble. The motorboat was substituted by a horse so it becomes a horse racing."

"Hee, Something like that happened."

"And then you know, according to the old document data the player in the boat opened her foot sitting straight."

"I see, It's the same, right? Perhaps Shiba-kun knows about that motorboat race?"

"I wonder. I feel like it's not really that position but according to the doctrine the reason doesn't meet the precedent."

"Yes, you're right. Then, senpai, please rise up the speed!"

"Roger!"

Kumiko stretch her hand and rise up the speed of the boat.

The two people who went around in the waterway came back to the start spot. Their clothes nor their hair didn't really get wet

No, they didn't get wet at all. They was showered by a sheet of spray. At least in the water there's no trace that they fall.

"Look! Look! I didn't fell!"

"Yes. Only in one round you guys did a great progress."

How's that! Eimi is laughing and shows a slight smile. Tatsuya paid more attention to Kumiko who runs the boat.

"Kunisaki-senpai, Is there any problem in your posture?"

"Yes.....It's slightly bad."

Kumiko as always a different person in front of Tatsuya. Tatsuya is not really a clairvoyant. So he thinks that Kumiko is a 'Quiet School Girl'. That's why she didn't receipt Tatsuya's thoughts in a cold manner, she didn't mind it at all.

"As I thought that's what it is."

In Lower and Gunner pair competition, the one controls the boat and the one shoots. The upcoming problem here is the two's view. When the two line up back and forth, the lower will sit down the gunner will intercept because if the gunner sits down as well the lower lose her point of view.

In order to solve this, the 1st high pair, the 'lower'sits and lowers down the sit and the gunner sits down behind the floor so it will be designed higher. In the boat, the lower's lower part of the body is crawling on the boat. Hereby, the gunner's eye and the lower's body were intercepted, Problem solved. But in order to the lower's viewpoint becomes low, the narrow waterway shouldn't be avoided.

"In public performance, let's have a test run in the first lap and time trial in the second lap. Because we can confirm the first lap's course layout, it can't be necessary to become so nervous even if we don't see the long way.....I'll talk to the president a little."

It seems Tatsuya already have a plan. Without being overambitious he tells the plan completely and about the

figure, if it's reliable then it's reliable but still Eimi don't know what will Tatsuya tell to the president. It isn't really matter but Eimi got a bit uneasy.

She's in a shock when Tatsuya made an 'adjustment' for her for the first time—or is it fear—still she remembers. Possible that's the thing may be unforgettable for her, surely, she thought.

Even if it's supposed to be the adjustment of CAD—He even adjust the position of ours. He adjust the CAD now. It was placed in the chopping board and what kind of food shall we cook? He seems examine closely, that sense.

It seems like He, himself detects it all. It is more than being nude that seen through her clothes.

The interior part of the skin, muscle, internal organs, skeletal structure, cells, genes. It seems like he's constituting all the elements of it.

In the Magic Operation Area it didn't stop, it's depths until her essence was analyzed.

And then the completed CAD is clearly more than one's power limit, it was back to Eimi.

Why until yesterday it was beyond one's limit, the truth is the limit was shown.

Eimi's grandmother is from Goal D Family, 'Magic Bullet TASS RAM' when the guidance is in favor. She experienced a similar sense.

The feeling of using when Tatsuya adjust it, your own was forcibly scratched. The sense of the guidance of the mother resembled it, that's the reason—Such might be an excuse but last year's 'Ice Pillars Break' in the preliminaries, their power already exhausted.

In 'Speed Shooting' the fatigue was still saved so the day before, the runner-ups excitement cause them to sleep because they run out of stamina and in the finals league they still use such CAD in the finals so it was a default because the person worn out but in Eimi's case, she was convinced by CAD that adjusted by Tatsuya. In the dinner's seat "In CAD adjustment, you say? Is there a certain meaning inside of it?" without being generally said, Tatsuya took Eimi's CAD for adjustment.

This times Kumiko CAD will be put in the chopping board.

(.....Kunisaki-senpai's engineer is president Nakajou so it's alright.)

Tatsuya took the adjustment not because it is not harmful rather if Tatsuya adjusted your CAD is a lucky thing. Last year, Eimi is running out of stamina because of that CAD, but Eimi was able to put a good grades and upgrade her ability. Even if you think that the income and expenditure is high, it's a large plus to the user's ability.

But still it's Eimi, and now Kumiko is still a new guinea pig so the uneasiness wasn't able to dispel.

Part 4

July 15, Sunday. Without me saying anything, the whole class is resting but we only have one month for the 'Nine School Competition' so all the players attends the school and work hard on their practice.

Of course, Eimi and Kumiko came for the practice as well. There's no meeting so the solo representative, newcomer battle team and the boy's team practice in their own, the waterway in the fieldwork ground gathers.

"Good Morning."

The waterway's start spot had installed, from the locker room, shower room and in the restroom, Azusa is waiting for the two.

Beforehand, I heard Azusa will observe in the morning and Tatsuya will switch position in the afternoon, Eimi and Kumiko when they met Azusa, they didn't expect it because they didn't remember.

Eimi and Kumiko was attracted by the big sandwich in Azusa's hand. She get it from the basket, and she have still a small hard case.

"Good Morning, President."

"Good morning, A-chan, by the way. What's that?"

Eimi is a younger student so she gave a priority to courtesy first on the other hand, Kumiko don't have a reason to hesitate about sufficiency of the curiosity.

"This? Yes."

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Azusa thrust the hard case to Kumiko. Before hearing the explanation, she looks at it first and checks it.

Kumiko took the case with a pushed force. Her first impression is unexpectedly light. From its appearance she thought that it's a product made in a lightweight alloy but somehow it seems like this is made by resin.

The contents is light as well, and it was a small thing.

"Glasses? Goggles?"

Inside the case is a glass type, a goggles. But it's just a common thing unlike the one centimeter width long, the right and left of the root of the string and it seems a small camera with the thickness of five millimeters was there as well.

"Ahh, perhaps is this the class model's navigator?"

"Correct! That's Ku-chan for you!"

Azusa claps with a pleasant sound.

"Ta-da!!! This navigator is for the exercise run of the first lap, the glass was installed from right and left, then the course camera will photograph what's happening. And the glass in the second lap will display the structure. It's a type of blind monitor."

"A-chan, from whom are you telling that?"

The two were against that exaggerated action and their tone is too much, Kumiko penetrates.

"E, Ehehehe....."

Azusa just deceive them with a laugh, there's no withered state that in this place that she's willingly to contact a friend with the same sex, and surely it will be younger student. Like for example with the same sex, Mayumi and her partner Mari, surely don't want to.

"Anyway, if we have this course, the problem 'We can't see it' will be solved. Lower and Gunner is set to start at the same time but only one should run and the other one will stay, the course will go ahead to monitor to the one who's running, You should understand it by now."

In addition, that navigator will Kumiko's partner but only her but Eimi have one as well. With that in the commentary mode, people will say that we have a large advantage.

“Surely, if we know how the course works, there will be no hindrance.”

“Even if a wave of water knocks you down, there’s no problem. It’s in the rule after all.”

“But will that fall into the regulations?”

Kumiko submitted a proper concern, Azusa is like ‘I’ve been waiting for that question’, that’s the only words that she’s waiting for.

“About the limit of ‘Lower and Gunner’s machine, it’s by using a vehicle that has no power to run in the surface of the water. There’s no rule that you have to employ the navigator.”

The answer was heard, Kumiko is something like in an experienced face as she nodded.

“Aha! And then, is this idea comes from yours?”

“Uhh.....The truth is Shiba-kun thought about it.”

“As I thought. Thrusting the rule’s hole. This is not A-chan’s think-style, I know.”

“But, but, I’m the one who made the system for the navigator. Shiba-kun as well, besides the basic concept. I didn’t ask for assistance.”

“Fuunn.....But such thing is acolumbus’ egg, you know.”

“That’s true but!”

Azusa pouts and looks on the other way while Kumiko is in soothe smile.

While seeing such state, Eimi tasted the feeling of disappointment. Being concerned in magic, ‘We will use anything to win’ seems that Tatsuya thinks such stance. But Kumiko didn’t request such stunning magic. As long as the plan is okay, it’s disappointing to meet anyone that can electronic equipment.

(As for me, what am I expecting?)

She was aware on what she’s thinking, Eimi was disgusted by herself. Yesterday, didn’t Kumiko became a new magic guinea pig? She was really happy from the bottom of her heart because of her new magic. She’s looking forward to the high level magic.

(First, even if you insert the tactics of the new magic, the player will have a hard time)

Though for Tatsuya, The new magic idea will just easily spring out. However, there’s less than one month until the public performance. In such a short term, if you wear the new magic it’s totally reckless. If you think about last year, you’ll understand it.

(Even for Shizuku, learning the active air mine is with all might for her. They said that the ‘Phonon Maser’ is incomplete. How much Shiba-kun gives a new magic willingly, isn’t that absurd?)

(If I can only win by the magic that I’m used to, that one thing is very reliable. Me as well have an card in the hand but I have to persist it.)

Eimi persuaded herself, to begin her exercise she got in the boat.

“Because the navigator will be necessary, I’ll devote myself to running exercise for one hour.”

“Roger!”

Kumiko is satisfied with the front part seat, she listens to the instructions.

“And then If there’s no problem, we’ll go with mix shooting. Is it okay for you Akera-san?”

“Yes!”

From the back seat, Eimi who stood both her knees lively answered with the boat took off.

Part 5

Danger past and God Forgotten, that. It’s not really that you’re experiencing ‘heat’, you’re decision in thinking about the heat might become a vain.

“Shiba-kun, Help~”

At least Eimi forgot half day ago her determination saying ‘I’ll only fight with my own battle potential’.

“What is it, suddenly? What are you troubled for?”

They started the exercise in a haste, When she figured out Tatsuya’s appearance, he got out from the water and she’s crying. Tatsuya look behind Eimi, he see Kumiko with a bitter smile and her one hand is in the position of praying.

“Standing while talking, we can’t settle it down. Let’s talk inside.”

Tatsuya in the rest station, He hears Eimi’s story.

“Hunting is sport in pursuit of one game basically.”

“.....Well, Looks like it.”

Without any introductions, Eimi took the contextual topic, for the time being Tatsuya nodded.

In addition, Eimi’s expression is not a ‘one animal’ rather than ‘one’. She seems to be a small rabbit and a small fox living instead of an off-road robot car. As a ‘prey’ she used it.

“In speed shooting, at the same time a mark will come out but that’s the viewpoint is already fixed so that won’t be confusing.”

“In other words, Eimi is troubled because she can’t deal with mostly of the mark?”

“That’s it! Shiba-kun understood it completely with only few words!”

Eimi raises a surprising voice. Kumiko’s eyes rounded but Tatsuya wasn’t really have an exaggerated expression. If the ‘Lower and Gunner’s property matched. As a gunner, Eimi what is she troubled for, Now the present conversation is enough for them to understand.—In Tatsuya’s standard, of course.

“Shiba-kun, Can you manage it?”

Eimi leans forward on the table with an appeal of her eyes. This girl is certainly in the situation of being in need. She needs a solvable and cheap ‘New Weapon’ or ‘Secret Weapon’ like Tatsuya thought so.

“Let’s get prepared for this counter-plan.”

However, let's put aside Eimi's betrayal. Tatsuya's prediction is correct that Eimi is troubled by the multiplex aim. The reason's draft for the supporting plan is finished. From the beginning he didn't show this plan for acquiring the new magic is considered as a burden. It's because if it didn't used completely or maybe it will be across the board.

"Ehh, You already finished the measures?"

In order for the players to win, he has the job to fix the equipment. Such unexpected face was seen but Tatsuya as well is unexpected but he take that expression out.

"Please wait for a bit"

Tatsuya disappeared and go to the locker room. When he came back he have in his hand an oblong attaché case.

The contents of the case are, needless to say CAD. The shape of the rifles bullet was cut down, Eimi practice now and use it.

"In this CAD, startup type of a shot type 'Invisible Bullet' was stored."

"Eehh?"

"Invisible Bullet?!"

The two suddenly raised a loud voice, Tatsuya raised his eyebrows.

".....Why are you surprised too much? Kunisaki-senpai as well, I think your surprised expression is too much as well."

"No, No, No, No, No!"

Kumiko was subjected by Tatsuya and took it. It's rare to see that her smile on her face disappears. But that's not all, regarding about Tatsuya (Regarding to the boy student) he seems temporary forget that he has weak awareness.

"I'm surprised, right? Am I surprised? Of course, it's obvious that I'll be surprised!"

Kumiko turned around vigorously and Eimi's is waving her neck that becomes long.

"Like I've been wondering, what's with that expressions?"

"Invisible Bullet, you say, using a cardinal cord, Isn't it a High Level Magic?!"

"Surely, it needs a person that has a high ability for the demanded magic, but the start type is being shown."

"The start type is being shown but I can't understand the description contents. In addition, may be a 'Mahoushi' can't adjust it as well! That's why Kichijou Jishinkurou the person himself, that there's no user for it!?"

In Kumiko's opinion generally, she believes in the popular view. For straightening the error, Tatsuya is ready to explain.

"The reason why the 'Invisible Bullet' is not spreading is because the used for the magic is limited for it. This magic is appointed to the point, it generates pressure that's all. There's no really direct change in the state of an object. That's why, if it's going to use in combat or non-combat can effectively utilized. The situation is limited. Academically, it's extremely significant but outside the laboratory the one who use the other magic is effective."

They heard Tatsuya's explanation, the two's head seems to be in cold.

By his commentary, a new doubt was born inside Eimi.

“Then why am I going such magic? Furthermore a ‘Shot Type’.....Invisible Bullet’s reorganizes its start type. It will taking trouble for us.”

Reorganizes the start type?! Eimi screamed, for Eimi as well. Tatsuya doing an unreasonable imitation suddenly.

“Well, Of course it’s the suitable magic for ‘Lower and Gunner.’”

“.....Is that so?”

“Yes. In fact the original is inefficient as well. That’s why it reorganizes the shot type as well.....Did Kichijou Jishinkurou notice it?”

In Tatsuya’s lips, he tips away a faint smile.

Eimi noticed it and thinks that ‘As I thought Shiba-kun’s character is bad’.